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China, then the Peking Government will, it is urged, be compelled to prevent American citizens from carrying on business in China.

These representations are, however, not likely to have much weight at Washington at the present moment.

Mr. GRANT, when shown the despatch containing this report, was avowedly unbelieving and indifferent.

He also added: "Even if there was a possibility of war, I cannot see why this country should be coerced into legislating to please China. We were ready to go to war with China over a much smaller matter, and I see no reason why we should not be ready again when the welfare of the great mass of working men of this great country is at stake." Mr. GRANT is of course playing to the gallery, and he therefore indulges in tall talk. It does not follow, however, either that China has not made the threat or that she will not fulfil it. We do not think the Peking Government have authorized such a threat as that above referred to, but it is not outside the bounds of probability that they may do so yet, and even carry it into effect. It must not be forgotten that they declared to receive Mr. BLAIR when he was nominated by the President as Minister to China, because he had publicly expressed himself strongly opposed to China and Chinese immigration. President HARRISON had to submit to that rebuff, and he would in like manner have to acquiesce in the severance of diplomatic relations with the Emperor K'ang-hsi if that potentate so willed it. Mr. BLAIR might bluster and bounce and threaten, but he has no effective means of enforcing his threats, a fact which is particularly well known to the Tung-ti Yamen. Nor would the American nation be willing to make the sacrifices necessary before they could undertake a costly war with China. The interests at stake are not sufficiently great. American trade with China is considerable and increasing, its value in 1891 being \$1,767,382 as compared with \$1,184,989 in 1890, but only a small proportion is conducted through the medium of the American merchants in China, nearly all of the American firms having closed. Most of that trade is conducted through English, German, and Chinese channels, and if the few Americans now in the Treaty Ports had to depart, their business could still be carried on through Hongkong. China would lose the missionaries, it is true, but that would be her loss, and she would be more than content to accept it. No doubt Japan would profit by the rupture, but there would be no cross-disturbances of vested interests in either the United States or China, certainly nothing worth fighting for, unless the American nation suddenly developed the Anglo-Saxon instinct of conquest and joined the other country in the task of imposing Western civilization on the realms of Asia. But at present parochial politics "hold the fort" in the Great Republic, and are likely to do so for another half century, when perhaps even that vast territory may be so thickly occupied that its active citizens may feel impelled to seek new outlets for their restless energies. And by that time China, if in the meantime she has not disintegrated through political rotteness, may possibly have become too formidable for any single-handed attack on her to stand much chance of success.

The Military Museum will play "The Ticket-of-Leave Man" tonight at the Garrison Theatre.

The M. M. steamer *Natal*, with the lower deck for sale, left Shanghai at 3 p.m. on the 2nd inst.

We learn that a party of Russians are at present travelling in Yunnan; the head of the party is said to be a Prince.

The H. M. S. *Enterprise* of Japan arrived at Shanghai at 8 p.m. on the 2nd inst. at 1 a.m. on the 3rd inst. for Kobe, Yokohama, and Vancouver.

It is announced in Saturday's *Gazette* that His Excellency the Governor has provisionally re-appointed Mr. H. S. St. John as in charge of the District of Kowloon at this port.

The Agents (Messrs. Blomfield & Co.) inform us that the D. D. steamer *Polymath*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 7th inst.

The appointment of Mrs. Elizabeth Anne Blomfield as Head Mistress of the Government Central School for Girls, made under instructions from the Secretary of State, is gazetted in the *Gazette* of the 1st September last.

The Straits Times says that three Chinamen, undesirable residents of the Straits Settlements, have been dealt with by H. M. S. the Governor in Council, with the result that the three were deported to China by the P. & O. steamer *Malacca*.

The confirmation and allowance by His Excellency the Governor of the first prize of £200, being the Appropriation Ordinance of 1893 and the Merchant Shipping Amendment Ordinance respectively, is notified in Saturday's *Gazette*.

A telegram in the *Batavia* *Gazette* dated 1st March, 1893, says: "It has been decided that the D. D. steamer *Polymath*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 7th inst."

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